GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:348
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Mandays/Workdays under MGNREGS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has decided to increase the number of workdays/mandays under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) in view of the drought prevailing in the State of Tamil Nadu;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the quantum of funds released to various districts of the State; and

(d) the details of proposals sent by the State Government of Tamil Nadu for the release of funds to the drought affected districts of the State?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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Statement in reply to Parts (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 348 for 10.08.2017.

(a)to(d): The provision of additional employment of 50 days over and above 100 days per household under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) in drought notified areas of Tamil Nadu was allowed by the Ministry of Rural Development in FY 2016-17 on the recommendations of the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare. The details of total mandays generated and households who had been provided more than 100 days of employment in the notified drought affected 31 districts of Tamil Nadu under MGNREGA during the FY 2016-17 are given at Annexure. On the receipt of recommendation from the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare for additional employment of 50 days under MGNREGS for the FY 2017-18 in the drought affected notified areas of Tamil Nadu, the Ministry of Rural Development will take appropriate steps. During the current FY 2017-18, the Ministry has released Rs.3820.24 crore (as on 04.08.2017) to the State Government of Tamil Nadu for implementation of MGNREGS. The funds are not released to districts of the State.